

MCH Training Program 2006-2007 Strategic Planning Workgroups

Reporting and Monitoring Teleconference

September 18, 2006

Meeting Notes

Members Present:

Grantees: Arnie Birenbaum, John Ehiri, Irene Jillson (sitting in for Carolyn Gregor), Shirley Robinson, Mary Ott, Cheryl Shaul, and Connie Wieman. (Anne Turner Henson unable to participate due to prior commitment).

MCHB Training Program: Laura Kavanagh

AUCD LEND Coordinator: Crystal Pariseau

Resource Center: Sheryl Mathis
Judy Gallagher

Agenda Item	Discussion
Review of notes from August call	Change “country” to “county”
Workgroup List to Post on Web site	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Participants were asked to review the list, and email Judy with any changes.
Review of Materials on Definition/Description of “Underserved”	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Materials shared with participants prior to the call, described criteria used by Federal government to designate various underserved communities and criteria used in general program data collection by various entities. Some entities choosing to focus on term “underrepresented” to identify the groups present in the general population but <i>not</i> represented in a particular program. The goal of the MCH training programs is for enrollees to “broadly represent the population”. It was recognized that population groupings are dynamic and need to consider the classification of groups that should be used.
Discussion of possible criteria to identify and document trainees from “underrepresented”	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Our goal is to identify trainees from ‘underrepresented’ groups to measure progress on obtaining a trainee pool that does broadly represent the population. It is important to handle this in a way that minimizes burden to grantees in reporting and also permits easy analysis of data by individual program and the overall initiative. Participants discussed an array of characteristics that could be used including age, race, ethnicity, gender, country of origin, rural/urban, presence of a disability, economically disadvantaged, etc. The development of a

groups”.	matrix approach was suggested to capture and organize the criteria.
Discussion of approach to determining if graduates work in “underserved” communities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion focused on how to identify an underserved community. Options include the MUA, HPSA designations, and presence of disproportionate share hospitals. Also discussed was the possibility of graduates working with specific underserved population groups, e.g. adolescents, CYSHCN. Further consideration was given to the possibility of graduates working on issues that are particularly important to underserved groups, e.g. health disparities, access to care. It was noted that it will be important to focus not only on clinical work, but also program and policy work. Again, the idea of a matrix was raised to capture and organize the criteria.
Actions:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judy and Sheryl will draft a matrix (working from draft developed by Irene) based on workgroup discussion and focused on 1) identification of trainees from underrepresented groups, and 2) identification of graduates who work in underserved communities or with underserved population groups and email this to workgroup members for review. The draft documents are attached. • Participants will review the draft and email Judy with comments and suggestions by October 6th. • Judy and Sheryl will summarize comments and email to workgroup members by October 11th. • Will discuss drafts and comments at next call: October 16th at 2 PM ET

Next Call: Monday October 16, 2006 – 2 PM ET

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ALSO!!! Past call notes and the workplans can now be accessed at: http://mchb.hrsa.gov/training/workgroup_notes.asp